GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:66
ANSWERED ON:05.03.2002
INCREASE IN NAXALITE ACTIVITIES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that the naxalite activities in the country are rising as reported in the `Dainik Jagaran` of 28th December, 2001;

(b) if so, the details of incidents of naxalite violence registered during the years 1999,2000,2001 and 2002, till date, State-wise;

(c) the number of persons/security personnel killed/injured and property damaged in the said incidents;

(d) the assistance given to various States to check naxalite activities during the said period; and

(e) the specific steps being taken by the Government to wipe out naxalism and the time by which the Government is likely to succeed in its efforts?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.66 FOR ANSWER ON 5.3 REGARDING INCREASE IN NAXALITE ACTIVITIES.

(a),(b) and (c): Violence by left wing extremist groups registered an increase in 2001 as compared to 2000. A statement indicating State-wise details of left wing extremist violence, the number of civilians and policemen killed in the incidents during 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002 (upto 20.2.2002) is at Annexure-I. A statement indicating the estimated loss of property in naxalite violence during the same period is at Annexure-II.

(d): In order to meet the security related requirements of the States severely affected by left wing extremism, a Scheme has been implemented for reimbursement of 50% of the expenditure incurred by them in combating left wing extremist activities. So far, an amount of Rs. 80.37 crores has been reimbursed to the concerned States. Moreover, with a view to modernize and equip the State Police forces to deal with various threats to law and order as well as extremist activities, funds to the tune of Rs.1071 crores were released to the States severely affected by left wing extremist activities under a Scheme for Modernisation of State Police Forces during the last three years. Para Military Forces were made available to the States, to the extent possible, whenever required.

(e): `Public Order` and `Police` being State subjects, it is for the concerned State Governments to devise various methods and take concrete steps to curb left wing extremist activities in the States. However, keeping in view the overall dimensions of left wing extremism a Coordination Centre, headed by the Union Home Secretary with Chief Secretaries and Directors General of Police of the seriously affected States, as its members, regularly reviews and coordinates steps taken by the States to check left extremist activities, monitors the plan of action in respect of each State and makes recommendations both on development and security aspects of the problem.

Several important decisions such as providing financial support from the Centre for combating left wing extremist activities, preparation of plans for development of affected areas to tackle the problem in a holistic manner, sharing of intelligence inputs, and providing assistance of para military forces on need basis etc. have been taken by the Coordination Centre and effectively followed-up.

CPML-People`s War (PW) and Maoist Communist Centre (MCC) and their formations and front organizations have been notified as Terrorist Organisations under the provisions of the Prevention of Terrorism (Second) Ordinance, 2001 to enable the States to take effective action.

Annexure-I

STATE-WISE LEFT WING EXTREMIST VIOLENCE Incidents (deaths)

States	1999	2000	2001	2002 (Feb.20)
Andhra Pradesh	602(114-C/37-P)	425(83-C/30-P)	461(141-C/39-P)	40(7-C/1-P)
Bihar	214(184-C/18-P)	278(159-C/12-P)	169(87-C/24-P)	34(8-C)
+ Jharkhand	267(143-C/33-P)	318(165-C/27-P)	355(154-C/46-P)	38(9-C/20-P)
Madhya Pradesh	19(10-C)	7(2-C/2-P)	21(2-C)	3(1-C)
+ Chhattisgarh	76(31-C/6-P)	79(24-C/24-P)	105(30-C/7-P)	16(-)
Maharashtra	40(13-C/2-P)	35(11-C)	34(6-C/1-P)	10(6-C)
Orissa	5(-)	15(3-C)	30(3-C/8-P)	3(-)
Karnataka	5(2-C)	7(1-C/1-P)	1(-)	-
Kerala	-	2(-)	-	-
Tamil Nadu	8(1-C)	5(-)	1(-)	3(-)
Rajasthan	1(-)	-	-	-
Uttar Pradesh	5(1-C)	4(2-C/2-P)	22(12-C)	-
West Bengal	4(3-C)	4(2-C)	9(4-C)	2(2-C)
Total	1246(502-C/96-P)	1179(452-C/98-P)	1208(439-C/125-P)	149(33-C/21-P)

Note: C- Civilian killed and P - Policemen killed

+ These States came into existence in November, 2000.

The figures for the years 1999 and 2000 have been compiled on the basis of the existing districts.

Annexure-II

PROPERTY DAMAGED BY LEFT WING EXTREMISTS

States	1999	2000	2001	2002 (Feb.20)
Andhra Pradesh	5,48,13,000	4,85,66,000	21,19,07,000	1,55,95,000
Bihar	45,65,000	32,40,000	9,00,000	-
+ Jharkhand	NA	1,94,44,000	3,30,40,000	4,00,000
Madhya Pradesh	13,40,000	-	29,40,000	-
+ Chhattisgarh	NA	67,82,000	2,57,000	-
Maharashtra	33,22,000	32,54,000	54,64,000	5,80,000
Orissa	-	2,24,000	-	-
Uttar Pradesh	-	-	1,00,000	-
Karnataka	12,00,000	45,000	-	-
Tamil Nadu	3,41,000	-	-	-
Total	6,55,81,000	8,15,55,000	25,46,08,000	1,65,75,000

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